House Amendment 8436

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Amend Senate File 2337, as passed by the Senate, as
   2 follows:
          Page 1, by inserting before line 1 the
   4 following:
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         <Section 1.
                       Section 87.4, Code 2007, is amended to
   6 read as follows:
         87.4 GROUP AND SELF=INSURED PLANS == TAX EXEMPTION
   8 == PLAN APPROVAL.
  9 For the purpose of complying with this chapter, 10 groups of employers by themselves or in an association
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  11 with any or all of their workers, may form insurance
  12 associations as hereafter provided, subject to such
  13 reasonable conditions and restrictions as may be fixed
  14 by the insurance commissioner; and membership in such
  15 mutual insurance organization as approved, together
  16 with evidence of the payment of premiums due, shall be
  17 evidence of compliance with this chapter.
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        A self=insurance association formed under this
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  19 section and an association comprised of cities or
  20 counties, or both, or the association of county fairs 21 or a fair as defined in section 174.1, or community
  22 colleges as defined in section 260C.2 or school
  23 corporations, or both, or other political
  24 subdivisions, which have entered into an agreement
  25 under chapter 28E for the purpose of establishing a
  26 self=insured program for the payment of workers
  27 compensation benefits are exempt from taxation under
  28 section 432.1.
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         A plan shall be submitted to the commissioner of
  30 insurance for review and approval prior to its
  31 implementation. The commissioner shall adopt rules
  32 for the review and approval of a self=insured group
  33 plan provided under this section. The rules shall 34 include, but are not limited to, the following:
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         1. Procedures for submitting a plan for approval
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  36 including the establishment of a fee schedule to cover
  37 the costs of conducting the review.
38 2. Establishment of minimum financial standards to
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  39 ensure the ability of the plan to adequately cover the
  40 reasonably anticipated expenses.
41 A self=insured program for the payment of workers'
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1 42 compensation benefits established by an association
1 43 comprised of cities or counties, or both, or the
  44 association of county fairs or a fair as defined
  45 section 174.1, or community colleges, as defined in
1 46 section 260C.2, or other political subdivisions, which 1 47 have entered into an agreement under chapter 28E, is
1 48 not insurance, and is not subject to regulation under
  49 chapters 505 through 523C. Membership in such an
  50 association together with payment of premiums due
   1 relieves the member from obtaining insurance as
   2 required in section 87.1. Such an association is not
   3 required to submit its plan or program to the
   4 commissioner of insurance for review and approval
   5 prior to its implementation and is not subject to
   6 rules or rates adopted by the commissioner relating to
   7 workers' compensation group self=insurance programs.
8 Such a program is deemed to be in compliance with this
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         The workers' compensation premium written on a
  11 municipality which is a member of an insurance pool
  12 which provides workers' compensation insurance
  13 coverage to a statewide group of municipalities, as
  14 defined in section 670.1, shall not be considered in 15 the determination of any assessments levied pursuant
  16 to an agreement established under section 515A.15.>
  17 <u>#2.</u> Title page, line 1, by inserting after the 18 word <insurance> the following: <and to
  19 self=insurance>.
  20 \pm 3. By renumbering as necessary.
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